

AMENDMENTS TO AND LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

The following listing of Claims represents the current pending version of Claims in the Application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for influencing behavior in ~~an animal~~ a dog or cat in need thereof, the method comprising systemically administering to the animal ~~in need thereof~~ a diet comprising at least about 1-2% by weight of an omega-3 fatty acid or mixture of omega-3 fatty acids selected from the group consisting of eicosapentaenoic acid and docosahexaenoic acid, as measured on a dry matter basis.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Original) The method in accordance with claim 2 wherein the dog or cat is about 1 to 6 years of age.
4. (Original) The method in accordance with claim 2 wherein the dog or cat is at least about 7 years of age.
5. (Original) The method in accordance with claim 2 wherein the dog or cat has an observable behavior deficit prior to administration of the omega-3 fatty acid or mixtures thereof.
6. (Original) The method in accordance with claim 2 wherein the dog or cat does not have cancer or arthritis.

7. (Original) The method in accordance with claim 2 wherein the dog or cat is up to about 1 year of age.

8. (Withdrawn) A composition suitable for systemic administration to a young adult or aged pet animal, which comprises a carrier and a behavior influencing quantity of an omega-3 fatty acid or a mixture of omega-3 fatty acids.

9. (Currently Amended) The method in accordance with claim 1, wherein the composition comprises ~~from about 1% to~~ no more than about 10% by weight of an omega-3 fatty acid or mixture of omega-3 fatty acids.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently Amended) The method in accordance with claim ~~9~~ 10, wherein the composition comprises ~~from about 1% to~~ no more than about 5% by weight of a mixture of EPA and DHA.